

**Limit on
Participation**

Audience participation at a Board meeting is limited to the portions of the meeting for citizen comments on the open session agenda items (hereinafter "agenda comment") or citizen comments on any item of interest or concern to the District (hereinafter "citizen participation"), which are designated for those purposes. At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on matters being considered by the Board, unless requested by the presiding officer.

Agenda Comment

At every open meeting of the Board (including special-called meetings and committee of the whole workshops), the Board shall allot time to hear persons who desire to make an agenda comment to the Board prior to consideration of or action on the item. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting must register in advance of the meeting as posted in the meeting agenda on the District's website. The Board may limit the amount of time for agenda comment in accordance with the established procedures posted on the District's website.

Citizen Participation

At each regular meeting of the Board, the Board shall allot time to hear persons who desire to speak during citizen participation. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting must register in advance of the meeting as posted in the meeting agenda on the District's website. The Board may limit the amount of time and number of speakers for citizen participation in accordance with established procedures posted on the District's website. Any persons not chosen to speak during citizen participation may submit written comments to the Board.

Board's Response

Board members may ask questions of presenters to clarify the issues presented but are not required to do so. Board members may address agenda comments during consideration of the agenda item but are not required to do so. Specific factual information or recitation of existing policy may be furnished in response to citizen participation, but the Board shall not otherwise deliberate or decide regarding any matter raised in citizen participation that is not otherwise properly posted on the agenda for the meeting.

Public Hearings

The Board may hold a public hearing in which any interested persons shall be allowed to present information on the topic of the hearing in accordance with established procedures posted on the District's website.

Disruption

The Board shall not tolerate disruption of the meeting by members of the audience. If, after at least one warning from the presiding officer or parliamentarian, any person who continues to disrupt the meeting by his or her words or actions may be removed from the meeting.